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1,200,766 Colombian electoral registration cards had been revised.

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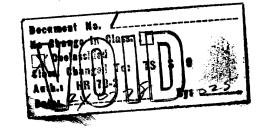
approximately 43% of the total number of cards.* only 59,950, or about 5% of the cards, had been completely processed, i.e., checked against fingerprint files for detection of fraud.

2. Dr. Eduardo Santos, leader of the Liberal Party, has stated that abstention is the only possible policy for Liberal Party members to follow in the forthcoming elections, because they will not be able to vote. Dr. Santos stated, after returning from a vacation in Cartagena, that police throughout the coastal region are molesting Liberals who attempt to have their registration cards revised. 25X1A 25X1A

Comment: It was reported in registration cards had been revised by 15 November 1951 and that 17,205 had been completely processed.

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